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NEWS RELEASE

Agricultural Prices
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North Dakota Agricultural Prices

The Index of Prices Received for All Farm Products in September is 126 percent of the 1990-1992 base, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistical Service, North Dakota Field Office. This is up 9 percent from last year and unchanged from two years ago. The All Crops Index, at 126 percent of the base, is up 11 percent from September 2005 and the All Livestock and Products Index, at 129 percent, is up 5 percent from last year. September indexes are calculated using preliminary mid-month prices.

The August Index of Prices Received for All Farm Products, recalculated with full month prices, was 128 percent of the base, up 15 percent from August 2005. The All Crops Index, at 132 percent, was up 18 percent from the previous year and the All Livestock and Products Index, at 118 percent, was up 8 percent from August 2005.

Preliminary September prices, followed by the change from August:

- Spring Wheat, \$3.95 per bushel, down 16 cents;
- Durum Wheat, \$4.20 per bushel, up 9 cents;
- Winter Wheat, \$3.70 per bushel, down 2 cents;
- Feed Barley, \$1.70 per bushel, up 14 cents;
- Malting Barley, \$2.50 per bushel, up 2 cents;
- Oats, \$1.55 per bushel, down 5 cents;
- Corn, \$1.90 per bushel, up 1 cent;
- Soybeans, \$4.90 per bushel, down 11 cents;
- Flaxseed, \$5.45 per bushel, down 5 cents;
- Oil Sunflower, \$10.80 per hundredweight (cwt.), down 20 cents;
- Non-Oil Sunflower, \$15.10 per cwt., down 40 cents;
- All Dry Edible Beans, \$17.30 per cwt., up 20 cents;
- Alfalfa Hay, \$68.00 per ton, down \$1.00;
- Other Hay, \$50.00 per ton, unchanged;
- Steers and Heifers, \$111.00 per cwt., up \$2.00;
- Cows, \$48.00 per cwt., up 60 cents;
- Calves, \$136.00 per cwt., unchanged.

August whole month prices, with no preliminary September, followed by the change from July:

- Canola, \$10.50 per cwt., down 40 cents;
- Pinto Beans, \$16.60 per cwt., up \$1.10;
- Hogs, \$51.20 per cwt., down \$1.20;
- Lambs, \$100.00 per cwt., up \$2.00;
- Sheep, \$38.00 per cwt., up \$2.00.

September prices are preliminary and based on sales data for only part of the month. They will be replaced with whole month prices in next month's report. August prices are based on sales data for the entire month.

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**Index Numbers of Farm Prices
North Dakota and United States, September 2006**

Indexes and Ratios	North Dakota			United States		
	Sep 2005	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Sep 2005	Aug 2006	Sep 2006
Prices Received	<i>(1990-92 = 100)</i>					
All Farm Products	116	128	126	116	120	118
Crops	114	132	126	111	126	119
Food Grains	125	156	150	111	131	133
Feed Grains & Hay	99	125	120	94	107	103
Oil Bearing Crops ^{1/}	111	102	105	93	93	85
Potatoes & Dry Beans ^{2/}	109	98	109	104	133	114
Livestock and Products	123	118	129	122	115	116
Meat Animals	126	120	133	119	119	121
Dairy Products	120	121	120	117	92	96
Other Livestock Products ^{3/}	101	100	100	134	124	125
Prices Paid	NA	NA	NA	142	148	147
Ratio ^{4/}	NA	NA	NA	82	81	80

1/ Includes non-oil sunflower. 2/ North Dakota includes sugarbeets. 3/ United States excludes wool. 4/ Ratio of Index of Prices Received to Index of Prices Paid. NA=Not applicable.

**Prices Received by Farmers
North Dakota and United States, September 2006**

Item	Unit	North Dakota			United States			Effective U.S. Parity Price Sep 2006
		Entire Month		Preliminary	Entire Month		Preliminary	
		Sep 2005	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	Sep 2005	Aug 2006	Sep 2006	
		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Wheat, All	Bu	3.32	4.10	4.00	3.36	3.91	3.98	10.50
Durum	Bu	3.28	4.11	4.20	3.38	4.09	4.18	NA
Other Spring	Bu	3.35	4.11	3.95	3.51	4.11	4.02	NA
Winter	Bu	2.63	3.72	3.70	3.28	3.77	3.94	NA
Corn	Bu	1.77	1.89	1.90	1.90	2.09	2.11	7.80
Oats	Bu	1.32	1.60	1.55	1.54	1.67	1.68	4.33
Barley, All	Bu	1.76	2.22	2.22	2.36	2.70	2.65	7.29
Feed	Bu	1.38	1.56	1.70	1.84	2.06	2.18	NA
Malting	Bu	2.05	2.48	2.50	2.74	2.99	3.03	NA
Sunflower, All	Cwt	10.30	12.60	12.10	13.20	12.50	12.00	32.80
Oil	Cwt	9.70	11.00	10.80	NA	NA	NA	NA
Non-oil	Cwt	^{1/}	15.50	15.10	NA	NA	NA	NA
Baled Hay, All ^{2/}	Ton	54.00	64.00	65.00	99.00	106.00	107.00	NA
Alfalfa ^{2/}	Ton	57.00	69.00	68.00	106.00	110.00	112.00	NA
Other ^{2/}	Ton	38.00	50.00	50.00	78.90	91.50	93.00	NA
Canola	Cwt	9.09	10.50	NA	NA	NA	NA	27.00
Flaxseed	Bu	6.10	5.50	5.45	6.10	5.50	5.45	15.60
Soybeans	Bu	5.51	5.01	4.90	5.77	5.23	5.12	17.20
Dry Edible Beans, All	Cwt	15.80	17.10	17.30	18.00	19.60	19.40	55.10
Navy	Cwt	18.30	17.80	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pinto	Cwt	15.40	16.60	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Potatoes, All	Cwt	5.65	^{1/}	5.10	5.69	7.95	6.81	16.10
Fresh ^{3/}	Cwt	8.70	^{1/}	NA	10.77	14.60	NA	NA
Processing	Cwt	5.05	^{1/}	NA	4.65	5.22	NA	NA
Beef Cattle	Cwt	90.50	88.10	97.10	88.00	87.70	90.30	193.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	106.00	109.00	111.00	92.10	91.90	95.20	NA
Cows	Cwt	50.50	47.40	48.00	49.80	47.00	47.30	NA
Calves	Cwt	134.00	136.00	136.00	135.00	134.00	135.00	269.00
Sheep	Cwt	43.00	38.00	NA	43.70	28.40	NA	95.80
Lambs	Cwt	117.00	100.00	NA	110.00	94.80	NA	233.00
Hogs	Cwt	48.70	51.20	NA	49.40	51.60	50.00	117.00

1/ Insufficient sales to establish a price. 2/ Alfalfa, other and all hay are preliminary prices only. 3/ Fresh market prices only, includes table stock. NA=Not applicable.

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